

former butler-secretary, declared to be the most important witness sought in connection with the murder.

Friends of the murdered director here showed great interest in reports of the weird succession of casualties in Taylor's family. According to these stories, Taylor's father, a Major in the British Army, had two brothers, Charles and Lombard, who died under circumstances which were never explained. Major Tanner's father, grandfather of the murdered man, Cork physician, was found dead and mangled beside a railroad track.

According to these reports, the name "William Desmond Taylor" was used by the film director as a youth. He registered under that name as a student of Clifton College at Bristol.

From records available in the County Clerk's Office it was learned to-day that Mrs. Ethel May Hamilton Deane-Tanner was granted a divorce from William Cunningham Deane-Tanner here on Feb. 11, 1911. The decree was signed by Supreme Court Justice O'Gorman, and Charles P. Boetwick, former Assistant District Attorney, of No. 2 Rector Street, was counsel for Mrs. Deane-Tanner. Charges of misconduct and desertion were the grounds upon which the decree was granted, it was said.

NEVADA SUSPECT MAY NOT BE SANDS

Police Will Question Him When They Receive Warrant From Los Angeles.

ELKO, Nev., Feb. 7.—The man suspected of being Edward F. Sands, wanted in connection with the murder of William Desmond Taylor, came to Elko last night from Carlin, according to the Sheriff's office here. He is being watched and deputies planned to question him as soon as telegraphic warrants for his arrest arrive from Los Angeles.

Deputies stated, however, after closer observation, they did not believe the man under surveillance was Sands.

Two additional men were placed under surveillance later. Both registered at a local hotel from Los Angeles. "One of the men tallies well with the description of Sands," the Sheriff stated.

KILLS 3, SHOTS 10 AND ENDS HIS LIFE

Two-Gun Maniac Terrorizes Town in Switzerland for Hours Before Suicide.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Feb. 7 (Associated Press).—An automatic pistol in each hand, Battista Pestalacci, suddenly crazed, terrorized the picturesque Swiss town of Bellinzona, near Lake Maggiore, yesterday, killing three persons, wounding ten others and then committing suicide.

Pestalacci started at the railroad station, where he held up a crowd waiting for a train, shooting and killing the two brothers Bronzini and wounding a third traveler. He then rushed through the streets, shooting pedestrians on sight. Eight of his shots took effect, and one of his victims died.

The maniac then entered a restaurant, where he shot and wounded two women, but lost one of his automobiles.

8 WOMEN, FOUR MEN ON OBENCHAIN JURY

Defendant in Murder Case Agitated by Death Penalty Discussion.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 7.—Work of obtaining a jury, preferably one of men, according to the defense, to hear the trial of Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain, charged with the murder of J. Belmont Kennedy, was resumed to-day. The jury box contained eight women and four men. Six members of the venire had been excused because of opposition to the death penalty of because of fixed opinion.

Mrs. Obenchain showed agitation when the death penalty was discussed. She engaged in frequent whispered conversations with her former husband, Ralph R. Obenchain of Chicago, now a member of her counsel.

DISCUSS TREATIES AT WHITE HOUSE

Soldier Bonus May Also Be Taken Up at Dinner With President.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—A Conference of the Republican steering committees of the Senate and House to determine when the Arms Conference treaties shall be brought up for ratification in the Senate will be held at a White House dinner to-night.

The soldier bonus also may be discussed.

AMERICAN WOODS BETTER. MADRID, Feb. 7.—Cyrus E. Woods, the American Ambassador, has recovered from a serious attack of the grippe. He had been in bed for a week.

Newest and most thrilling love scene in the theatre is in "Orphans of the Storm" at the Apollo Theatre.—Adv.

DR. WORK IS PICKED AS MOST PROBABLE HAYS'S SUCCESSOR

First Assistant Expected in Administration Circles to Be Appointed.

HILLES OUT OF RUNNING

Taft Secretary More Likely to Fill Another Cabinet Vacancy.

By David Lawrence.

(Special Correspondent of The Evening World.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (Copyright).—As the time draws near for Postmaster General Hays to leave the Cabinet, the word from Administration sources is that Dr. Hubert Work, Assistant Postmaster General, will be appointed in his stead. This disposes of rumors which for the last week have been current that Charles D. Hilles, former private secretary to President Taft and National Republican Committee member from New York State, might be induced to succeed Will Hays.

From the viewpoint of knowledge of the Post Office Department, Dr. Work was immediately considered as the best man to take hold of the job. From the political viewpoint, Dr. Work was regarded as acceptable because as National Republican Committee member from Colorado he had had an experience in politics.

But aside from this, a movement got under way to place Mr. Hilles in the Cabinet because of his long experience in Republican politics. Mr. Hilles was in Washington the other day and, in fact, whenever he comes he exhibits an influence with the Harding Administration which indicates that the New York State Republican organization is working in close accord with the party chieftains here.

Chances of a vacancy in the Cabinet more to the liking of Mr. Hilles may occur any day. Rumors of changes in the Cabinet have for some time been current, without a logical basis, but the soldier bonus agitation has at least made a clear cut issue between Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and President Harding. If Mr. Mellon is overruled on a tax or bond sale to raise funds for a soldier bonus political sharpshooters believe he will not wish to stay longer in public life.

Another Cabinet change which keeps cropping up in the gossip is that of Secretary Fall of New Mexico, who is reported as anxious to retire to private life. The West has always claimed this portfolio, though lately there has been talk of appointing Senator Harry New to the post if he failed in his race for renomination in Indiana.

Meanwhile, the Administration casts an anxious eye toward Indiana, where the Democrats are claiming that a matter whether Senator Beveridge or New is nominated, the race on election day will be won by Thomas H. Marshall, former Vice President of the United States, who is being urged to take the nomination.

PARALYZED, LOOKS ON AS WIFE KILLS SELF

French War Veteran Unable to Prevent Death.

MELAN, France, Feb. 7.—Completely paralyzed as a result of a spinal wound received during the war, a citizen of this town, sitting impotent in his invalid chair, watched his wife, determined to kill herself, swallow the contents of a bottle of poison. Powerless to go to her assistance, he could only add his calls for help to her screams of pain.

BRITISH HONOR NEW YORKER

Royal Medal for Architecture Suggested for Thomas Hastings.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The name of Thomas Hastings, New York architect, is to be submitted to King George with the suggestion that he would be a fit recipient of the Royal Gold Medal for Architecture for the current year.

This decision was announced after a meeting last night of the council of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

PAUL DURAND-RUEL. Paul Durand-Ruel, head of the famous art dealing firm of Durand-Ruel of Paris and this city, died in Paris yesterday at the age of eighty-one. Born in Paris, he joined his father in the art business at the age of twenty-seven because he had the firm in 1862, and won world-wide distinction by inducing into favor the great painters of the Barbizon school—Millet, Corot, Juba Dupre, Rousseau, Daubigny, Degas, and others.

SAFETY FIRST AT FUNERALS

SYRACUSE, Feb. 7.—The Department of Public Safety announced that hereafter all residences where funerals are scheduled will be inspected by a city engineer to see if the floors are strong enough to permit an assemblage for services in the house.

Scene of Murder of Movie Director Taylor; Detectives Questioning Douglas McLean



This picture, taken directly after discovery of the body, shows the scene of the murder of Will Taylor, film director, at his home, No. 404 South Alvarado Street, Los Angeles.

EDWARDS DEMANDS LEGISLATURE GIVE BACK 5-CENT FARES

Jersey Governor Seeks Return to Pre-War Rate in Cities Having Contracts.

TRENTON, Feb. 7.—Gov. Edwards in a special message to-day called upon the Legislature to pass a bill introduced by Senator Alexander Simpson of Hudson County, Democratic minority leader, providing for the return to the 5-cent trolley fare in those cities which prior to the war had 5-cent franchise contracts with traction companies and which contracts were upset by the court.

"We are rapidly returning to conditions approximating those before the war," the Governor said. "The prices of labor and materials are falling steadily and it will be only a short time before the five cent fare bill will be extremely profitable again. I therefore urge upon the Legislature the duty to add to the Public Utility statute the Legislature declaration that this statute shall not be construed to authorize the fixing of any fare in excess of five cents for trolley transportation."

The Governor said that when there had been a public demand for 5 cent fares, the traction companies pointed to the franchise as compelling them to furnish transportation at 5 cents, even though the rate should be unprofitable. They claimed the advantages of profitable fare, the Governor said, on the ground that they would have to stand the loss of possible unprofitable years, but when these contracts were promptly repudiated by the companies.

They contended, he said, that the franchise had been abrogated by the passage of the act creating the Public Utility Commission, and giving it the right to fix fares, and this contention he pointed out, the court sustained.

"The courts have come further," the Governor said, "and held that it is the duty of the Public Utility Commission, under the statutes creating it, to fix rates in excess of the franchise rates if these are inadequate."

Referring to the Simpson bill, the Governor said:

"This bill if passed would help to relieve the State from the condition of virtual paralysis of the Public Utility Commission. This condition is due to the action of the Public Service Railway Company in obtaining an injunction from the Federal Court tying the hands of the Public Utility Commission. The effect of this injunction, unless the United States Supreme Court shall dismiss it, is that for perhaps two years to come the Public Utility Commission is powerless to regulate trolley rates in New Jersey."

A. A. V.-V. AND BRIDE ARE NOW IN QUEBEC

Ream Heiress and Her Husband Registered as "Mr. and Mrs. Pringle of New York."

QUEBEC, Feb. 7.—Anastasia Andreivitch Vonsiatkov-Vonsiatky, twenty-three-year-old employee of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, and his forty-five-year-old heiress bride who was Mrs. Marion Ream Stephens of Chicago, were found to-day honeymooning at the Chateau-Frontenac Hotel in this city.

The couple are registered as "Mr. and Mrs. Pringle" of New York.

You Need Not Have a Cold if you will take Laxative Tablets when you feel the first symptoms of a Cold coming on.—Adv.

KATLIN WINS SEAT IN STATE SENATE, BEATING CARROLL

Committee Acts on Report That 606 Brooklyn Votes Had Been Tamed With.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.)

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—Senator Arthur Katlin of the 11th Senatorial District, Brooklyn, to-day was voted by the Senate to have been elected over former Senator Daniel J. Carroll on the resolution of the majority of the Committee on Privileges and Elections which accompanied its report on the contest of Carroll. The minority report declared that Carroll had been elected.

Chairman Schuyler Meyer of the committee stated that the committee had found 606 votes had been tampered with and that the evidence showed that the tampering had occurred after the official count. Mr. Meyer said that in the 606 ballots crosses opposite the name of Katlin had been erased and other crosses marked before the name of Carroll, and that the votes had been counted as they were originally cast.

Senator John Boylan, for the minority members, declared that the returns outside of the 606 ballots showed that former Senator Carroll had been elected by a majority of 152.

Mr. Meyer, he said, had found it very peculiar that sixteen Socialists had voted for Carroll. Thousands of Socialists, the Senator declared, had voted for Mayor Hylan.

"Senator Katlin," he continued, "has been quoted as saying that he had been informed he was to be unseated because of his vote on the transit measure, and appealed to the Governor on that ground. Maybe this had something to do with the report of the majority of the committee. But Gov. Miller does not own this Senate."

When the Senate adjourned to-day it did so out of respect of the memory of Senator Henry Reischman, who died at his Brooklyn home this morning. Senator Reischman has not attended any of the sessions of the Legislature this year.

Stories were current when the Senator voted for the Transit Act that his life had been threatened because of his vote. There is no doubt he was much worried.

During the debate on the contest Senator Walker said that a subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee in the Assembly had discovered evidence which probably would result in the seating of August Claessens, Socialist candidate for member of the Assembly from New York, in the place of Murray Tolenstein, Democrat. Nearly 800 votes cast for Claessens had not been counted for him, it was intimated.

MISSING CHILD IN RICKARD CASE FOUND UP-STATE

Brooklyn Girl, Who Vanished, Said to Be Another Accuser of Promoter.

(Special to The Evening World.)

WAPPINGER'S FALLS, N.Y., Feb. 7.—Detectives Curran and Tobin of New York Police Headquarters came to Wappinger Falls to-day with the assistance of Chief of Police Lafitte placed under arrest Nellie Gage, thirteen years old, of No. 725 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, who disappeared from her home last Thursday.

The detectives say the girl is an additional accuser of Tex Rickard, manager of Madison Square Garden.

According to the detectives, the name of the girl had been kept secret, and she was watched at her home by agents of the Children's Society. She managed to elude them or she was kidnapped.

On last Friday she appeared here in the care of a prize fighter giving the name of Todd. He took her to the summer home, east of the village, of Dr. G. J. Olson of No. 128 East 83rd Street, New York, which is in charge of a caretaker named John D. Ambrose. Todd returned to New York on Thursday, but disappeared from home with the girl when the detectives reached here.

The girl was taken back to New York at noon.

LONDON CHARITY BOARD IMPRISONED BY MOB

Jobless Hosts Red Flag and Demand Larger Dole.

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Associated Press).—The Poplar Board of Guardians, whose members are responsible for levying and distributing relief for the poor in the metropolitan borough of Poplar, were held prisoners in their room until 4.30 o'clock this morning by a crowd of unemployed persons who demanded larger doles. The captors prevented use of the telephone.

The Guardians recently doubled the relief this was illegal, and they were ordered to return to their former rate. The plea of Government pressure was rejected last night by the unemployed, who seized the entire building and hoisted a red flag, declaring they would not give up until their demands were granted.

RATES FOR PASSENGERS TO PACIFIC COAST CUT

Leading Trans Lines Announce 20 Per Cent Reduction.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—A reduction of approximately 20 per cent in present rates from Chicago to the Pacific Coast was announced to-day by the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific railroads for the summer months.

The reduction was said to place the rates on the same level as prior to the 1920 increase.

HE HOPS TO PHONE ALARM AS THUGS FLEE WITH \$5,000

Furrier Then Cuts Bonds With Hands Behind Him and Runs for Police.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.)

LOUISA Schwartz of the Arnold Roth Company, manufacturing furriers at No. 166 West 46th Street, was alone in the loft there at 8 o'clock this morning when two young men entered. One pointed a revolver at him; the other kept his hand in his right coat pocket, suggesting a gun.

They told Schwartz to keep quiet and to back into the partitioned space called the customers' room, where he says they bound him hand and foot and flung him into a chair.

"Then," Schwartz says, "I watched them selecting furs. They took two mink coats worth \$1,000 each, a Hudson seal coat worth \$700, and about fifty smaller pieces of mink which had not been made up. The whole lot was worth at least \$5,000."

"They wrapped the furs in brown paper, which they did not stop to tie. Then they walked out. I hopped to the telephone, knocked it over, bent close to it and yelled for the police. Then I hopped out into the workroom and by backing against a table got hold of a cutter's knife, with which I managed to free myself."

A few minutes after the robbery, Schwartz was running down the stairs. He found a policeman at 43d Street and Broadway, who got another policeman and returned to the loft.

Peter Basakos, who has a candy store on the ground floor next door, was waiting on the sidewalk.

"I saw two men come out and put a big bundle into the back of a Ford sedan and drive east," he said.

He was not quite sure of the license number, but was certain of all but one number in it. If he is right, the police will have only two numbers to look up.

Meanwhile a telephone girl, who had heard Schwartz calling in the overheard telephone, had located the call and notified the police. Detectives from the West 47th Street Station joined in the investigation. They have an excellent description of the two young men.

THREE DIE, 25 HURT, 5 FROM NEW YORK, IN RICHMOND BLAZE

Several Believed Entombed by Collapse of Wall of Lexington Hotel.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 7.—Three persons are known to be dead and at least twenty-five injured in a fire here early to-day which destroyed the Lexington Hotel and several adjoining buildings with a loss estimated at \$150,000.

A wall at the fire escape collapsed and is believed to have entombed several persons. Many were injured by leaping from windows. The flames quickly spread to the Savings Bank of Richmond, the Pearl Laundry, the Co-operative Exchange, the Anderson-Wilson Paper Company plant and the Clyde W. Saunders printing plant, all of which were badly damaged.

The known dead are:

Hiram R. Austin, Fincastle, Va.; M. J. Fox, Williamsport, Pa.; C. M. Thomas, Sheriff of Albemarle County, Virginia.

The revised list of the injured includes the following out-of-State persons:

A. H. Harrison, St. Louis, Mo., fractured leg and lacerations on head; J. S. Havard, Portland, Me., broken leg and broken ankle; Andrew Gallas, Buffalo, N. Y., broken back; H. Dodd, New York City, broken back; J. E. Ford, Rocky Mount, N. C., lacerations; William O. Bailey, New York City, bruises; Paul Brigrana, New York City, right hip lacerated; John R. Cochran, New York, probably fatally, and Mrs. Clara Cochran.

Seventy-two persons were guests in the hotel and it is believed by the police the death toll will reach between 15 and 20. A search of the ruined hotel began at 10 o'clock.

Early to-day, an automobile drove up to the hotel containing a man who said he was from York, N. Y., the license number of the automobile being 563,254. The machine was still standing in front of the hotel when the fire was discovered and it is believed that he lost his life.

A man giving the name of Paul Brigrana, who said he was from New York, jumped into a fire net from the third floor. His back was splashed in many places with solder from the roof which had dripped down, scalding and burning him. He said he had left his cousin, Joe Martin, on the third floor and did not know what had become of him.

Pretty faces? Why, there are six hundred pretty girls in mad dances in "Orphans of the Storm." Apollo Theatre.—Adv.

M'CORMICK DROPS HIS OPERA TO WAR ON FORD TRACTORS

Art Patron Will Devote Whole Time to Price-Slashing Campaign.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.)

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Harold F. McCormick has abandoned pursuits of art, grand opera and globe trotting to direct the price war of the International Harvester Company with the Ford concern on tractors.

Ford, who started the price slash in with a cut of almost 50 per cent, in the price of tractors, has been followed by the Harvester Company, the J. I. Case Plow Works and the Sampson Tractors, controlled by General Motors.

McCormick plans to remain here for some time directing the affairs of his company.

The Harvester Company, in addition to cutting prices, is giving plows and other machinery away with purchases of tractors, while other concerns are offering similar bonuses.

McCormick today refused to outline further his plans for the campaign against Ford.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 7.—Tractor manufacturers, here for the National Tractors and Power Farming Exposition, found their business completely upset by the tractor price war. All of the companies exhibiting at the show have found their business seriously affected by the war now in progress among the four largest manufacturers of tractors.



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MURPHY.—On Feb. 6, DANIEL J., beloved husband of Margaret Murphy (nee Fitzgerald), and brother of John Murphy and Mrs. Bridget Campbell. Native of Limerick, County Cork, Ireland.

Funeral from his late residence, 209 72nd St., Thursday at 9:30 A. M. Solemn requiem mass at St. Catherine's Church, E. 69th St., at 10 o'clock.

REISCHMAN.—At Jeffersonville, N. Y., on Feb. 7, 1922, GEORGE M. REISCHMAN, BR., of 250 Elder St., Brooklyn. Notice of funeral later.

SCHINNAGEL.—On Feb. 4, 1922, JOHN H. SCHINNAGEL, beloved husband of Amelia E. Schinnagel, and beloved father of Maude, Marguerite and Leonard, passed away at his residence, 40 Morris St., Brooklyn.

Funeral services at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, Feb. 7, 1922. Masonic services by members of Lodges F. & A. M. No. 280.

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